GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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REDUCTION IN QUOTA OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to reduce the allocation of foodgrains including wheat for Below Poverty Line (BPL) families under Public Distribution System and also hike its price; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): The total allocation of foodgrains under TPDS including BPL families has not been reduced for any State/UT. However, a decision has been taken to streamline the ratio of rice and wheat in the allocation of foodgrains under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) including allocation for BPL families to all the States/UTs, keeping in view the food habits of each States/UTs. At present there is no proposal to hike the Central Issue Price (CIP) of foodgrains being distributed for BPL families under TPDS.